Mr. K. Ayyappan.—A poll Sir,

The House divided—Ayes 15, Noes 13 and Neutrals 15.

Ayes.

1.	Mr. A. Eachara Menon	9.	Mr. Paul Mampilli
2.	Dr. A. G. Menon	10.	,, Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan
3.	Mr. Joseph Pettah	11.	,, T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar
4.	,, M. Krishna Menon	12.	Dr. K. Sankara Menon
5.	,, P. Krishna Menon	13.	Mr. A. Sankara Poduval
6.	,, A. I. Mani	14.	Mrs. Swaris
7.	,, K. Mohamed Seethi	15.	Mr. P. C. Virkey.
8.	,, C. A. Ouseph		

Noes.

1.	Mr. K. Ayyappan	8.	Mr. K. T. Mathew
2.	,, M. A. Chakko	9.	,, M. K. Raman
3.	,, K. M. Ibrah m	10.	,, P. Raman Menon
4.	,, E. Ikkanda Warriar	11.	Dr. A. R. Menon
5.	,, P. S. Kesavan Nambudiri	12.	,, A. Sankara Menon
6.	,, T. K. Nayar	13.	,, K. P. Vallon.
7.	,, P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan		

Neutrals.

1.	Mr. K. Achyuta Menon	9.	Mr. I. N. Menon
2.	,, V. K. Aravindaksha Menon	10.	,, T. Narayana Menon
3.	,, C. Barton Wright	11.	,, P. Nilakanta Menon
4.	,, M. P. Cherian	12.	Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao
5.	,, C. N. Ittiravi Nambudiri	13.	Rama Varmha Tampuran
6.	,, U. Kandar Menon	14.	Mr. P. V. Raphael
7.	,, S. S. Koder	15.	,, P. V. Subramania Ayyar.
8.	,, C. J. Mathew		

President.—What was the time given for the original Committee?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Three months.

President.—I will give 6 weeks' time to the Committee to report.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Sir, may I know whether it is within the powers of this Council to recommit this bill to a fresh Select Committee?

President.—The Law Member will perhaps explain.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I have only to quote in answer a passage from Mr. Daniel Chanier's Parliamentary Procedure in India:—"The question was then put that the Bill be recommitted to Select Committee and during the debate on that motion a Member suggested adding the names of other members to the Select Committee. The President ruled that this was out of order".

Muslim Succession Bill.

Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.—Mr. President, Sir, I beg to present the Select Committee Report on the Muslim Succession Bill and move that the bill be taken into consideration.

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Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—I second it.

Motion put and carried.

The following sections were then put and carried.

President.—Whereas it is expedient to define the rules of law applicable to intestate succession among Muslims who are or who claim to be governed by the Marumakkathayam Law of inheritance it is enacted as follows:—

Preamble.

Short Title. This Regulation may be called "The Cochin Muslim Succession Regulation".

Local extent and commencement. It extends to the whole of Cochin and it shall come into force on... ... ...

1. It applies to Muslims domiciled in Cochin who are or who claim to be governed by the Marumakkathayam Law of inheritance and also, in respect of immovable situated within the State, to the Muslims domiciled outside the State who are so governed.

2. A person is considered to die intestate in respect of all property of which he has not made a testamentary disposition capable of taking effect.

3. Such property shall, notwithstanding any custom to the contrary, devolve upon his heirs in the order and according to the rules of Mohamedan Law.

Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.—Sir, I move that the bill be taken up and passed to-morrow.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—I second it.

Motion put and carried.

Muslim Women's Marriage Dissolution Bill.

Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.—Sir, I rise to present the Select Committee Report on the Muslim Women's Marriage Dissolution Bill and move that the bill be taken into consideration.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—I second it.

Motion put and carried.

The following sections were then put and carried.

President.—Whereas it is expedient to define and declare the existing Muhamedan law relating to the dissolution of marriages, it is hereby enacted as follows.—

Preamble.

Short title. 1. (a) This Regulation may be called "The Cochin Muslim Women's Marriage Dissolution Regulation".

Extent and commencement. (b) It extends to the whole of Cochin and it shall come into force at once.

For which reasons marriage may be dissolved. 2. A Muslim woman may declare her marriage dissolved for any of the following reasons:—

(a) if the husband is insane or is suffering from leprosy, leucoderma or other similar virulent disease or is a victim to such impotence as would prevent sexual intercourse,

(b) if the position of the husband at the time of marriage is short of what is stated in the marriage contract,

(c) if the position of the husband is such that he is unable to pay her even bare maintenance;

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